



# California Department of Veterans Affairs

## ADVISORY

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### Memorial Services Announced for John Smith

#### Please note time changes

**EVENT:** Memorial services for John Smith, Special Representative, California Department of Veterans Affairs (CalVet) and Veterans Advocate, active in the San Diego Area, who passed away on Sunday, January 31, 2010.

**DATE:** **VIEWING: Monday, February 8, 2010**

**TIME:** 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** Anderson-Ragsdale Mortuary  
5050 Federal Blvd.  
San Diego, CA 92102

**DATE:** **CHURCH SERVICE: Tuesday, February 9, 2010**

**TIME:** 11:00 a.m.

**PLACE:** Christ United Presbyterian Church  
3025 Fir St.  
San Diego, CA 92102

#### MEMORIAL SERVICE

**TIME:** **2:00 p.m.**

**PLACE:** Ft. Rosecrans National Cemetery  
1880 Cabrillo Memorial Dr.  
San Diego, CA 92106

#### REPAST / RECEPTION

**TIME:** **Following memorial service**

**PLACE:** Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2111  
299 I St.  
Chula Vista, CA 91910

**Note:** The Repast / Reception will be available beginning at 1:30 p.m. for those who cannot attend the Ft. Rosecrans Services.

**BACKGROUND:** John Smith served in the U.S. Army as a combat medic with 1st Air Cavalry in Vietnam and Europe, ultimately achieving the rank of Spec 5. After the completion of his military career, he had a long and prosperous career with the California Department of Veterans Affairs, starting with CalVet at the Chula Vista State Veterans Home when it opened in 2000, and as a special representative in the San Diego area.

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